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CLERK'S SUMMARY OF

Meeting Minutes

Recreation & Cultural Affairs Committee

Javier D. Souto (10), Chairperson; Sally A. Heyman (4), Vice Chairperson;
Commissioners Bruno A. Barreiro (5), Betty T. Ferguson (1), Dennis C. Moss (9), and
Katy Sorenson (8)

Wednesday, July 16, 2003

2:00 PM

COMMISSION CHAMBERS

Members Present: Bruno A. Barreiro, Betty T. Ferguson, Dennis C. Moss, Katy Sorenson, Javier D. Souto.

Members Absent: Sally A. Heyman.

Members Late: None.

Members Excused: None.

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Agenda Item No. 5(A)
November 12, 2003

1A ROLL CALL

Report: *In addition to the Committee members in attendance, the following support staff was present: Assistant County Managers Alina Hudak and Tony Crapp, Sr.; Assistant County Attorneys Monica Maldonado and Tom Logue; and Deputy Clerks Diane del Carpio and Jovel Shaw.*

Assistant County Attorney Monica Maldonado indicated that in addition to the County Manager's memorandum entitled, "Requested changes to the July 16, 2003 Recreation and Cultural Affairs Committee Meeting Agenda," the following additional changes had been requested that agenda item 3B Substitute be added and agenda item 3K be withdrawn from today's agenda.

1B PUBLIC HEARING(S)

2 COUNTY COMMISSION

3 DEPARTMENT

3A 031569 Resolution

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE APPROVAL OF FORTY (40) GRANTS FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF CULTURAL AFFAIRS FY 2002-2003 COMMUNITY GRANTS PROGRAM - FOURTH QUARTER WITH ARTES ALBES AS FISCAL AGENT FOR MAROMA PLAYERS; ARTS BALLET THEATRE OF FLORIDA, INC.; ARTSPRING, INC.; BALERE, INC.; BASCOMB MEMORIAL BROADCASTING FOUNDATION, INC.; CIRCULO LIRICO DE LA OPERA; CITY OF HOMESTEAD; COMMUNITIES IN SCHOOLS OF MIAMI, INC.; CONFERENCE OF HAITIAN PASTORS UNITED IN CHRIST, INC.; DADE COUNTY CHAPTER OF THE LINKS, INC.; DOMINICAN AMERICAN NATIONAL FOUNDATION, INC. (DANF); EGBE OMO ODUDUWA, INC. F/K/A NIGERIAN AMERICAN OF YORUBALAND INC.; GLORY TO GOD MINISTRIES, INC.; GRUPO TEATRAL EL DUENDE, INC.; HISPANIC-AMERICAN LYRIC THEATRE AS FISCAL AGENT FOR EDITORIAL CUBANA; HISPANIC-AMERICAN LYRIC THEATRE AS FISCAL AGENT FOR UNITY INTERNATIONAL FOUNDATION; IROKO DANCE & PERFORMANCE CENTER AS FISCAL AGENT FOR CENTRO CULTURAL BOLIVIANO MASIS; JAY'S LEARNING CENTER, INC.; JOHN I. SMITH FOUNDATION; KEY BISCAYNE 4TH OF JULY PARADE COMMITTEE, INC.; MARTI ARTISTIC REPERTORY THEATER; MIAMI CONTEMPORARY DANCE CORPORATION D/B/A MIAMI CONTEMPORARY DANCE COMPANY; MIAMI WATERCOLOR SOCIETY; MIAMI-DADE COMMUNITY COLLEGE FLORIDA CENTER FOR THE LITERARY ARTS; THE PERFORMING ARTS INSTITUTE, INC.; REACHING U NETWORK, INC.; RELIEF INTERNATIONAL INC. AS FISCAL AGENT FOR CAMILLE AND SULETTE MERILUS FOUNDATION FOR HAITI DEVELOPMENT, INC.; SECOND BAPTIST CHURCH OF RICHMOND HEIGHTS; SHORES PERFORMING ARTS THEATER, INC.; SOCIEDAD CULTURAL SANTA CECILA, INC.; SOCIEDAD CULTURAL SANTA CECILIA, INC. AS FISCAL AGENT FOR INSTITUTO DE CULTURA PERUANA; SOUTH BEACH GAY MEN'S CHORUS; SOUTH FLORIDA COMPOSERS ALLIANCE AS FISCAL AGENT FOR INKUB8; SOUTH FLORIDA COMPOSERS ALLIANCE, INC. AS FISCAL AGENT FOR ARTEMIS PERFORMANCE NETWORK; SOUTHERN FLORIDA TROPICAL GROWERS, INC.; TALENT ARTISTIC JUVENILE, INC.; THE COVE / RINCON CORPORATION; VIERNES CULTURALES/CULTURAL FRIDAYS, INC.; VILLAGE OF PINCREST; AND YELLOW TULIP PRODUCTIONS, INC. AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MANAGER TO EXERCISE THE CANCELLATION PROVISIONS CONTAINED THEREIN (Cultural Affairs Council)

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation

Mover: Sorenson

Seconder: Moss

Vote: 4-0

Absent: Heyman, Souto

3B 031849 Resolution

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE FUNDING OF TWENTY-THREE (23) GRANTS FROM THE FY2002-2003 FOURTH QUARTER TOURIST DEVELOPMENT ROOM TAX PLAN AND SURTAX CATEGORY TO PROMOTE MIAMI-DADE COUNTY TOURISM WITH: BOWLING TOURNAMENT OF THE AMERICAS ASSOCIATION, INC.; CITY OF HOMESTEAD; CITY OF MIAMI BEACH; CITY THEATRE, INC.; CULTURAL COUNCIL, INC.; ELITE MODEL MANAGEMENT MIAMI CORPORATION; FILM LIFE, INC.; FLORIDA INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY, COLLEGE OF HEALTH AND URBAN AFFAIRS; FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY ALUMNI ASSOCIATION D.B.A. FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY; LATIN ACADEMY OF RECORDING ARTS & SCIENCES, INC.; LATIN QUARTER CULTURAL CENTER OF MIAMI, INC.; MIAMI CHAMBER SYMPHONY; MIAMI CHILDREN'S MUSEUM; MIAMI NORTHWEST TRACK AND FIELD CLUB, INC.; MIAMI-DADE COUNTY PARK AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT; MUSIC FEST MIAMI, INC.; NANAY, INC.; ORANGE BOWL COMMITTEE; PRODUCCION & DISTRIBUCION CORP.; TEATRO AVANTE, INC.; THE UNCONSERVATORY, INC.; UNIVERSITY OF MIAMI SCHOOL OF MUSIC; WILLIAMS & STAYTON, LLC AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MANAGER TO EXECUTE GRANT AGREEMENTS FOLLOWING COUNTY ATTORNEY APPROVAL OF FORM AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY AND TO EXERCISE THE CANCELLATION PROVISIONS CONTAINED THEREIN (Cultural Affairs Council)

Withdrawn

Report: *See Agenda Item 3B Substitute - Legislative File #032140.*

3B SUB 032140 Resolution

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE FUNDING OF TWENTY-THREE (24) GRANTS FROM THE FY2002-2003 FOURTH QUARTER TOURIST DEVELOPMENT ROOM TAX PLAN AND SURTAX CATEGORY TO PROMOTE MIAMI-DADE COUNTY TOURISM WITH: BOWLING TOURNAMENT OF THE AMERICAS ASSOCIATION, INC.; CITY OF HOMESTEAD; CITY OF MIAMI BEACH; CITY THEATRE, INC.; CULTURAL COUNCIL, INC.; ELITE MODEL MANAGEMENT MIAMI CORPORATION; FILM LIFE, INC.; FLORIDA INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY, COLLEGE OF HEALTH AND URBAN AFFAIRS; FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY ALUMNI ASSOCIATION D.B.A. FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY; LATIN ACADEMY OF RECORDING ARTS & SCIENCES, INC.; LATIN QUARTER CULTURAL CENTER OF MIAMI, INC.; MIAMI CHAMBER SYMPHONY; MIAMI CHILDREN'S MUSEUM; MIAMI DESIGN PRESERVATION LEAGUE; MIAMI NORTHWEST TRACK AND FIELD CLUB, INC.; MIAMI-DADE COUNTY PARK AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT; MUSIC FEST MIAMI, INC.; NANAY, INC.; ORANGE BOWL COMMITTEE; PRODUCCION & DISTRIBUCION CORP.; TEATRO AVANTE, INC.; THE UNCONSERVATORY, INC.; UNIVERSITY OF MIAMI SCHOOL OF MUSIC; WILLIAMS & STAYTON, LLC AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MANAGER TO EXECUTE GRANT AGREEMENTS FOLLOWING COUNTY ATTORNEY APPROVAL OF FORM AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY AND TO EXERCISE THE CANCELLATION PROVISIONS CONTAINED THEREIN [SEE ORIGINAL ITEM UNDER FILE NO. 031849] (Park & Recreation Department)

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation

Mover: Sorenson

Second: Moss

Vote: 4-0

Absent: Souto, Heyman

Report: *Assistant County Attorney Monica Maldonado announced the foregoing proposed resolution amended agenda item 3B Substitute to include a grant to the Design Preservation Legal of Miami.*

3C 031599 Resolution

RESOLUTION RATIFYING THE COUNTY MANAGER'S ACTION IN APPLYING FOR UP TO \$10,000 FROM THE STATE OF FLORIDA, DEPARTMENT OF STATE, DIVISION OF LIBRARY AND INFORMATION SERVICES AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MANAGER OR HIS DESIGNEE TO RECEIVE AND EXPEND FUNDS, AND EXECUTE AMENDMENTS AS REQUIRED (Library Department)

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation

Mover: Sorenson

Second: Moss

Vote: 4-0

Absent: Heyman, Souto

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3D **032003 Resolution**

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MANAGER TO APPLY FOR UP TO \$200,000 IN GRANT FUNDS FROM THE FLORIDA RECREATION DEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF OUTDOOR RECREATION AREAS AT HOMESTEAD BAYFRONT PARK AND FURTHER AUTHORIZES THE COUNTY MANAGER OR HIS DESIGNEE TO RECEIVE AND EXPEND FUNDS, AND EXECUTE AMENDMENTS AS REQUIRED (Park & Recreation Department)

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation

Mover: Moss

Seconder: Sorenson

Vote: 4-0

Absent: Heyman, Barreiro

3E 032004 Resolution

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MANAGER TO APPLY FOR UP TO \$200,000 IN GRANT FUNDS FROM THE FLORIDA RECREATION DEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF OUTDOOR RECREATION AREAS AT IVES ESTATES PARK AND FURTHER AUTHORIZES THE COUNTY MANAGER OR HIS DESIGNEE TO RECEIVE AND EXPEND FUNDS, AND EXECUTE AMENDMENTS AS REQUIRED (Park & Recreation Department)

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation

Mover: Ferguson

Seconder: Sorenson

Vote: 4-0

Absent: Barreiro, Heyman

Report: *In response to Commissioner Ferguson's inquiry regarding any limitations on applying for grants from the Florida Recreation and Development Assistance Program (FRDAP), Ms. Vivian Donnell Rodriguez pointed out the Miami-Dade Park and Recreation Department applied for funding every year. She also provided an overview of the funding for the FRDAP. Ms. Rodriguez indicated she could research that issue and provide a response to Commissioner Ferguson.*

Commissioner Ferguson requested an update on the status of the Ives Estates Park that was located in Commission District 1.

In response to comments regarding the limitation for applying for FRDAP funding, Mr. W. Howard Gregg stated he believed there was a limitation of three active projects at the same time. He further stated each jurisdiction was eligible to have three active projects for each year.

Mr. Gregg provided an update on Ives Estates. He stated staff currently submitted the construction documents to the Building Department for permitting.

Commissioner Ferguson requested a status report regarding the construction of outdoor recreation areas at Ives Estates Park located at NE 16th Avenue and 209 Street.

The Committee proceeded to vote on the foregoing proposed resolution, as presented.

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- 3F **031600 Resolution**
RESOLUTION WAIVING FORMAL BID PROCEDURES AND THE REQUIREMENTS OF ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 3-2, TO ALLOW THE PARK AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT TO SCHEDULE AND PAY PROFESSIONAL ENTERTAINERS, ARTISTS AND ASSOCIATED EXPENSES FOR ENGAGEMENTS AT VARIOUS PARK VENUES INCLUDING THE JOSEPH CALEB AUDITORIUM, AFRICAN HERITAGE CULTURAL ARTS CENTER, NUESTRAS RAICES HISPANIC CULTURAL CENTER, MIAMI-DADE COUNTY AUDITORIUM, CHARLES DEERING ESTATE, MIAMI METROZOO AND ROXCY BOLTON WOMEN'S HISTORY PARK AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MANAGER TO EXERCISE THE CANCELLATION PROVISIONS CONTAINED THEREIN (Park & Recreation Department)
Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation
Mover: Sorenson
Seconder: Moss
Vote: 4-0
Absent: Barreiro, Heyman
- 3G **031725 Resolution**
RESOLUTION APPROVING CHANGE ORDER NUMBER TWO TO THE CONTRACT WITH ZURQUI CONSTRUCTION SERVICES, INC. FOR TIME EXTENSION ONLY TO THE ORIGINAL CONTRACT FOR THE COUNTRY CLUB OF MIAMI STORMWATER MITIGATION AND IRRIGATION SYSTEM REPLACEMENT PROJECT (Park & Recreation Department)
Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation
Mover: Sorenson
Seconder: Moss
Vote: 4-0
Absent: Barreiro, Heyman
- 3H **031742 Resolution**
RESOLUTION APPROVING RETROACTIVE CHANGE ORDER NUMBER THREE (3), AND FINAL, TO THE CONTRACT WITH ZURQUI CONSTRUCTION SERVICES, INC. FOR MODIFICATIONS TO DORAL PARK, RESTROOM AND STORAGE COMPONENT BUILDING (Park & Recreation Department)
Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation
Mover: Sorenson
Seconder: Moss
Vote: 5-0
Absent: Heyman
- Report:** *In response to Commissioner Sorenson's comments regarding the cost for the foregoing change order, Ms. Rodriguez stated this particular site that was a landfill site which required an additional cost to clean the site adequately and to allow the water and sewer connection.*

The Committee proceeded to vote on the foregoing proposed resolution, as presented.

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- 3I **031741 Resolution**
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A COMMISSIONABLE SALES PROGRAM FOR PARK FACILITIES AND ACTIVITIES INCLUDING MIAMI-METROZOO, DEERING ESTATE, GOLF COURSES, TENNIS CENTERS, ECO-ADVENTURE PROGRAMS, REDLAND FRUIT AND SPICE PARK, CORPORATE PICNICS, CAMPGROUNDS, SPECIAL EVENTS, SPORTING EVENTS, METROPOLITAN PARKS AND PARKS DEPARTMENT OPERATED CONCESSIONS, AND PAYMENT OF COMMISSIONS TO DISTRIBUTORS IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED 20% OF THE REGULAR USER FEE OR TICKET PURCHASE PRICE (Park & Recreation Department)
Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation
Mover: Sorenson
Seconder: Souto
Vote: 5-0
Absent: Heyman
- 3J **032067 Resolution**
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING COUNTY MANAGER TO EXECUTE SECOND AMENDMENT TO AMENDED AND RESTATED LEASE BETWEEN MIAMI-DADE COUNTY AND MARINE EXHIBITION CORPORATION D/B/A THE MIAMI SEAQUARIUM [SEE ORIGINAL ITEM UNDER FILE NO. 031736] (Park & Recreation Department)
Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation
Mover: Sorenson
Seconder: Souto
Vote: 5-0
Absent: Heyman
- 3K **032064 Resolution**
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ERECTION, CONSTRUCTION AND OPERATION OF THE NE 166TH STREET BRANCH LIBRARY LOCATED ON THE SOUTH SIDE OF NE 166TH STREET BETWEEN NE 1ST AND 2ND AVENUES, IN COMPLIANCE WITH SECTION 33-303 OF THE CODE OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY (General Services Administration Department)
Withdrawn
- Report:** *During consideration of changes to today's agenda, Assistant County Attorney Monica Maldonado announced the foregoing proposed resolution was being withdrawn.*

3L 031543 Resolution

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL COOPERATION AGREEMENT WITH THE MIAMI-DADE COMMUNITY COLLEGE FOR THE OPERATION OF A COMMUNITY CABLE ACCESS CHANNEL PROGRAM SERVICES FACILITY; AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MANAGER TO EXERCISE RENEWAL AND CANCELLATION PROVISIONS CONTAINED THEREIN (Consumer Services Department)

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation

Mover: Barreiro

Seconder: Sorenson

Vote: 5-0

Absent: Heyman

Report: *Chairperson Souto expressed concern with entering into an agreement and the County losing the ability to work with the Community Cable Access Channel Program.*

Commissioner Barreiro noted the Transportation Committee consideration of the foregoing item and Chairperson Souto's concern.

Ms. Cathy Peel, Director, Miami-Dade Department of Consumer Services provided an overview of the agreement with Miami-Dade Community College for operation of the Community Cable Access Channel.

Discussion ensued among members of the Committee regarding the fiscal impact to the County's budget, the cost savings to the County and the enhancement of services.

Further discussion ensued in connection with Miami-Dade Public Schools (MDPS) request for an opportunity to submit an alternative proposal to offer community cable access channels for public, educational and governmental programming due to previous experience with the County.

Ms. Peel pointed out extensive negotiations and discussions were held with MDPS regarding this matter.

Further discussion was held in connection with MDPS loss of this contract, the impact to MDPS - WLRN Program and the involvement of general manager of WLRN for the creation of the ordinance that required cable companies to set aside cable access channels for public, educational, and governmental programming.

In response to Commissioner Moss' request for a clarification term of the agreement, Ms. Peel stated the existing contract with MDPS would expire on September 30, 2003 and it was the last

option to renew. She pointed out the foregoing agreement would become effective October 1, 2003. Ms. Peel also provided a background on the options staff considered prior to this agreement coming forth.

The Committee proceeded to vote on the foregoing proposed resolution, as presented.

4 REPORTS

4A 031687 Report

VIDEO RE: MIAMI-DADE PARKS SUMMER CAMPS
(Park & Recreation Department)

Report Received

Report: Ms. Vivian Donnell Rodriguez, Director, Miami-Dade County Parks and Recreation discussed the creation of the video to promote the Miami-Dade Parks Summer Camp Programs. She also noted the promotion of the 2003 USA Track and Field Junior Olympics, which the department was hosting at Tropical Park, this summer scheduled for July 29 - August 3, 2003. Ms. Rodriguez indicated over 8,000 kids across the country would be competing in this event.

Following the video presentation, Ms. Rodriguez invited everyone to attend the special event at Tropical Park.

Assistant County Manager Alina Hudak congratulated the Department for hosting the event in this community.

4B 032122 Report

REPORT RE: MIAMI-DADE COMMUNITY COLLEGE
SUPPLEMENTAL AGREEMENT (Consumer Services
Department)

Report Received

Report: See note under Agenda Item 3L - Legislative No. 031543.

4C 032125 Report

ORAL PRESENTATION: FY' 2003-04 BUDGET
PRESENTATION (County Manager)

Report Received

Report: *Mr. David Morris, Director, Office of Management and Budget, provided an overview of the Recreation and Culture Affairs Committee County Manager's FY' 2003-04 Proposed Budget and the Multi-Year Capital Plan. He highlighted the following items: maintenance of the current services, the total millage that would remain the same, fee increases for solid waste, water, sewer, stormwater utility and the creation of Emergency Contingency Reserve. He pointed out the budget was work in progress.*

Mr. Morris highlighted for the following budget adjustments:

- the Article V implementation that would create a savings in the range of \$20 to \$40 million but for next year the projected range was \$5 to \$10 million,*
- the Transit maintenance of effort to accommodate the mowing cycles to be presented as a budget amendment in the supplemental budget next week,*
- the Tri-Rail and the Regional Transportation Authority,*
- the increased attrition level by 2% above the current level of 8%,*
- the beach renourishment,*
- the river dredging,*
- the Elections Department budget for two countywide elections,*
- the Summer Youth Employment funded at \$1million,*
- the Free Trade Area of the Americas security costs,*
- the new Facility Preventive Maintenance program,*
- the increase in Cultural grants in the amount of \$300,000,*
- the increase in support to the Alliance for Human Service,*
- the maintenance of police services,*
- the phasing-in of 11 new and expanded park facilities,*
- the re-allocation of \$5 million in Quality Neighborhood Improvement Program for each Commission District,*
- the Motorcycle Emergency Rescue Team pilot program,*
- the fee increase for fire that was based on making sure the County maximize the amount of*

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money the County could obtain from insurance and third party payors,
- the extra millage to continue the construction program for public libraries,
-the opening of three mini-libraries this current year and four next year,
-the increase in park fees and other miscellaneous increases,
-the fee increase for admission at the Vizcaya, and
-the fees and charges for proprietary funds.

Mr. Morris also highlighted the following items pertaining specifically to Recreation and Culture Committee:

-the implementation of the "High Five Miami" program,
-the new Miami Beach Regional Library,
-the opening of three mini-libraries,
-the repairs, renovations and improvements to existing libraries,

During discussion of the foregoing item, Chairperson Souto expressed concern with the presence of dead trees in the parking lots of Miami-Dade public libraries. He asked that Assistant County Manager Alina Hudak and other appropriate staff persons address the removal of dead trees in the parking lots of public libraries.

Assistant County Manager Hudak stated staff would follow-up on Chairperson Souto's request.

Mr. Morris continued his presentation to highlight items pertaining specifically to the Recreation and Culture Committee:

-the transfer of three parks to the Village of Palmetto Bay,
-the reduction in marketing funds,
-the reduction in park operations facility maintenance
-the functions of the Park and Recreation Department's safety office,
-the creation of new positions to staff the new library facilities,

Following comments by Mr. Morris regarding an additional position for FY 2003-04 that would coordinate the Park Department's fundraising efforts, Chairperson Souto supported the position for fundraising at the library and parks. He requested a financial report on the status of the Equestrian Center be presented at the next Committee meeting by the Miami-Dade County

Park and Recreation Department.

Ms. Vivian Donnell Rodriguez, Director, Miami-Dade County Parks and Recreation responded a full presentation on the Tropical Equestrian Center would be presented at the next Committee meeting.

Mr. Morris continued his presentation of the Recreation and Culture proposed budget for fiscal year 2003-04 and highlighted the following: the area wide capital projects to be complete during FY 2003-04, the capital projects to be completed in the unincorporated area during FY 2003-04 and the review of the policies to designate existing parks as regional parks such as Tropical Park and Amelia Earhart. He noted upon completion of the study recommendations would be presented to the Board.

In response to Mr. Morris' comments regarding the designation of regional parks, Commissioner Ferguson asked for a clarification on the definition of a regional park.

Ms. Rodriguez noted that the national criteria were used to define a regional park classification. She pointed out the Ives Estates Park was being planned for a regional facility and staff recommended that the park be a countywide facility because it serviced more than the local community. Ms. Rodriguez indicated that once the study was completed a policy recommendation would be presented to the Committee.

In response to Commissioner Ferguson's comments regarding a regional versus a countywide park, Ms. Rodriguez stated regional was a park classification and the countywide was a budget classification. She further stated the Ives Estates Park would be a regional park and funded as a countywide park.

Discussion ensued in connection with the requirements for classification as a regional park.

In response to Commissioner Sorenson's comments regarding the specific negative impacts to the Parks' Budget, Ms. Rodriguez pointed out there were service delivery impact

In response to Commissioner Moss' comments regarding the organization of the park system and how incorporations impact the future of County parks in terms of what parks

would remain with the County and those that would be relinquished to the new municipalities, Ms. Rodriguez noted the Department was currently going through a very extensive planning process reviewing parks in terms of how the Department would look in 15 to 20 years and how the Department would deliver services. She stated it would be more of a regional park system similar to the state park system versus a local municipal park system.

In response to Commissioner Moss' question whether any consideration had been given to contracting services with new municipalities for park services, Ms. Rodriguez indicated there have been discussions with the new municipalities regarding park services and the Department welcomed the opportunity to offer services.

Commissioner Moss asked the Assistant County Manager Hudak review the feasibility of the set-aside of land for libraries and parks similar to land being designated for future public schools by developers. He indicated that as resources become available the land could be used for libraries or parks within the community.

Commissioner Moss also asked that the marketing program for the Miami Metrozoo become more competitive and he would be seeking additional funding for that effort.

In response to Commissioner Moss' comments, Assistant County Manager Hudak discussed the issue of library properties. She pointed out staff has aggressively pursued different options and in the budget staff recommended a restructuring of the privatization of the capital plan.

Commissioner Moss asked that the County Manager to ensure that developers seeking to construct new housing developments be required to provide sufficient land area for future ancillary uses such as schools, parks and libraries.

Commissioner Sorenson expressed concern with the impact of increased attrition, maintenance and the appropriate staffing level for all libraries, and the need for adjustment in those areas.

In response to Commissioner Ferguson's comments regarding the feasibility of utilizing park bonds for operation and maintenance of public parks, Mr. Morris advised the Committee that the bonds could only be used to capital

improvements of County parks.

Ms. Rodriguez agreed that the operational issue need to be addressed and should be addressed concurrently with any new bond initiatives.

Mr. Morris indicated that new bond issues would include projects to reduce the maintenance cost. He also noted these bond issues would address all County facilities and not just parks.

Commissioner Ferguson pointed out Commission District 1 was awaiting the expenditure of those funds approved in the last park bond for improvement of existing parks and a new park facility.

5 ADJOURNMENT

Report: *There being no further business to come before the Committee, the meeting adjourned at 5:01 p.m.*